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ACCESS (DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE)

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1. ON MAY 12, IN FOLLOW-UP TO PREVIOUS GREEK
COMMITMENT (REF A, PARA 4A), GREEK SPOKESMAN MACHERITSAS
STATED THAT ABOUT JUNE 27 IN ATHENS WOULD BE THE PRE-
FERRED DATE AND PLACE TO WORK OUT THE NEW TECHNICAL
ARRANGEMENT COVERING U.S. OVERFLIGHT AND LANDING WHICH
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WOULD REPLACE THE ONE CONCLUDED IN 1966. THIS WOULD
ASSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF COLONELS MARINAKIS AND
ANDRIKOS (ALSO MEMBERS OF THE GREEK TEAM IN CURRENT DCA
DISCUSSIONS) WHO WOULD BE THE GREEK OFFICERS RESPONSIBLE
FOR WORKING THIS SUBJECT. MACHERITSAS, RECALLING THAT
ANDRIKOS AND COLONEL MAJORS NEGOTIATED THE 1966
ARRANGEMENT, ALSO ASKED IF COLONEL MAJORS WOULD AGAIN

BE AVAILABLE, SUGGESTING THAT THE COMBINED BACKGROUND AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE TWO WOULD FACILITATE THE CONCLUSION OF A NEW ARRANGEMENT.

2. WISHING TO ENCOURAGE THE FAVORABLE NEGOTIATING CLIMATE WITH ITS PROMISE OF GREEK FLEXIBILITY, WE CONFIRMED DATE AND AVAILABILITY OF COLONEL MAJORS, SUBJECT TO WASHINGTON APPROVAL. GREEKS UNDERSTAND THAT TIMING OF EVENTS RELATED TO DCA DISCUSSIONS MAYLATER REQUIRE ADJUSTING THE DATE. (FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS INCLUDING THE NEGOTIATING SKILL HE HAS DEMONSTRATED THROUGHOUT THESE DCA TALKS, I BELIEVE COL. MAJORS WOULD BE PARTICULARLY SUITABLE FOR THIS TASK.)

3. ACTION REQUEST: APPROVAL OF PARA 2 ABOVE BY OOB, MAY 17. KUBISCH

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